

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

(Caption of Case)

Certification of the Use of Universal Service Funds  
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 54.314 and  
Telecommunications Act Section 254(e) Federal  
Communications Commission CC Docket No. 96-45

BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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South Carolina Public Service Commission  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Certification of the Use of Universal Service Funds  
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 and Telecommunications  
Act § 254(e) Federal Communications Commission  
CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC"), on behalf of its member companies, hereby requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") submit a letter to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") verifying that the individual SCTC member companies shown on the attached list are in compliance with section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act. Attached are company specific affidavits attesting to the fact that Federal Universal Service Funds will be used as intended in compliance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act.

The FCC's rules require that, in order for carriers to receive the federal support for which they are eligible, state commissions must file an annual certification with USAC and the FCC stating "that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers [rural incumbent local exchange carriers and competitive carriers classified as eligible telecommunications carriers serving lines in an area of a rural incumbent local exchange carrier] will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." 47 C.F.R. § 54.314. These certifications must be submitted by the state commission prior to October 1 of each year in order for the companies to receive the full federal funding for which they are eligible. Id.

The SCTC respectfully requests that the Commission issue a letter to the FCC and USAC certifying that SCTC's individual member companies are in compliance with section 254(e) of the Act.

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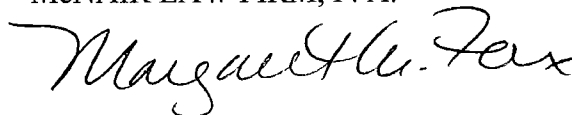
The FCC requires that state regulatory authorities file a letter with the FCC and USAC certifying that rural carriers are in compliance with section 254(e) of the Act by October 1 of each year. The timing is critical, because if certification is not accomplished by October 1, 2011, federal support for universal service in the areas served by the rural carriers within South Carolina will not be provided for at least the first quarter of 2012. See 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(d). The SCTC respectfully requests that the Commission accept this letter and the attached affidavits as self-certification that the companies are in compliance with section 254(e), and that the Commission issue a letter to the FCC and USAC prior to October 1, 2011, notifying them that the SCTC member companies are eligible to receive federal universal service support in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act and 47 C.F.R § 54.314.

We are submitting this request pursuant to the above-cited federal law and in compliance with Commission Regulation 103-690.1(C).

Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter or if we can provide anything further.

Very Truly Yours

McNAIR LAW FIRM, P. A.



Margaret M. Fox

MMF:rwm  
Enclosures

cc: Florence P. Belser, Esquire  
Joseph M. Melchers, Esquire  
James E. Spearman, Ph.D.  
Doug Pratt  
Company representatives (See Distribution List)

**ATTACHMENT A**

<u>NAME OF COMPANY</u>	<u>STUDY AREA NUMBER</u>
Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.	240512
Chesnee Telephone Company	240515
Chester Telephone Company	240516
Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240520
Fort Mill Telephone Company	240521
Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.	240523
Home Telephone Company, Inc.	240527
Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240528
Lancaster Telephone Company	240531
Lockhart Telephone Company	240532
McClellanville Telephone Company	240533
Norway Telephone Company	240535
Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240536
Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240538
PBT Telecom, Inc.	240539
Ridgeway Telephone Company	240541
Rock Hill Telephone Company	240542
Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240546
St. Stephen Telephone Company	240544
West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	240550
Williston Telephone Company	240551

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**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF PLEASE FILL IN NAME OF COUNTY WHERE AFFIDAVIT IS EXECUTED

COMPANY: Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240512

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Andrew Rein. I am employed by Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Company") as its Vice President of Sales and Marketing. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. COMPANY hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Andrew Rein  
Vice President of Sales and Marketing

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of JULY 2011.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

MELODY J. TOLFORD  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: MAY 27, 2018

**MELODY J. TOLFORD**  
Notary Public, State of South Carolina  
My Commission Expires May 27, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG


COMPANY: Chesnee Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a Chesnee Communications  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240515

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Hannah A. Lancaster. I am employed by Chesnee Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a Chesnee Communications (the "Company") as its President. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Chesnee Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a Chesnee Communications hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Hannah A. Lancaster  
President

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 19 day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Annette Williams  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: July 18, 2017

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHESTER

COMPANY: CHESTER TELEPHONE COMPANY  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240516

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

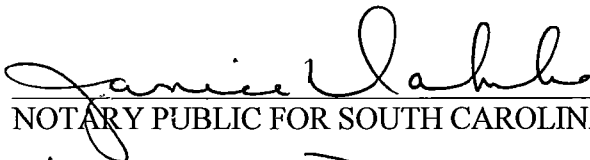
1. My name is J. Brian Singleton. I am employed by Chester Telephone Company (the "Company") as its President & CEO. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Chester Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
J. Brian Singleton  
President & CEO

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 7th day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

SANEE T DANKS  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 1/28/2014



**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF Williamsburg

COMPANY: Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240520

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Jeffrey L. Lawrimore. I am employed by Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") as its Chief Financial Officer. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Jeffrey L. Lawrimore  
Chief Financial Officer

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2011.

Sarah Brannon Wilson  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Sarah Brannon Wilson  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: March 26, 2017

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF York

COMPANY: Fort Mill Telephone Company

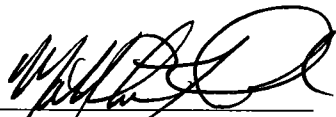
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240521

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Matthew L. Dosch. I am employed by Fort Mill Telephone Company. (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President of External Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Fort Mill Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Matthew L. Dosch  
Senior Vice President of External Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011.

Theresa H. Grant  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Theresa H. Grant  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 9/12/2011

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF PLEASE FILL IN NAME OF COUNTY WHERE AFFIDAVIT IS EXECUTED

COMPANY: Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240523

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Andrew Rein. I am employed by Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Company") as its Vice President of Sales and Marketing. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. COMPANY hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Andrew Rein  
Vice President of Sales and Marketing

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of JULY 2011.



NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

MELODY J. TOLFORD

Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: MAY 27, 2018

**MELODY J. TOLFORD**  
Notary Public, State of South Carolina  
My Commission Expires May 27, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF Berkeley

COMPANY: Home Telephone Company, Inc.

STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240527

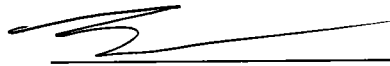
PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING

DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is William S. Helmly. I am employed by Home Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Company") as its President. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Home Telephone Company, Inc. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
William S. Helmly  
President

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Debra D. McGuff  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: August 13, 2019

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF *HORRY*

COMPANY: *Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc.*  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: *240528*

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is *M. O'Neal Miller, Jr.*. I am employed by *Horry Telephone* (the "Company") as its *Chief Executive- Financial Operations*. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. *Horry Telephone* hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
*M. O'Neal Miller, Jr.*  
CFO

Subscribed to and sworn before me this *7* day of *July* 2011.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

*Carol G. Cox*  
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Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: *2-3-2016*

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF Lancaster

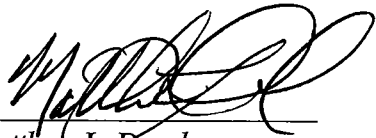
COMPANY: Lancaster Telephone Company  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240531

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Matthew L. Dosch. I am employed by Lancaster Telephone Company. (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President of External Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Lancaster Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Matthew L. Dosch  
Senior Vice President of External Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011.

Theresa H. Grant  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Theresa H. Grant  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 9/17/2011

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHESTER

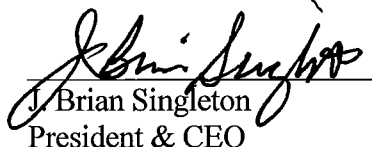
COMPANY: LOCKHART TELEPHONE COMPANY  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240532

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is J. Brian Singleton. I am employed by Lockhart Telephone Company (the "Company") as its President & CEO. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Lockhart Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
J. Brian Singleton  
President & CEO

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 7th day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

JANECE T DANKS  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 1/28/2014

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN    )  
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COUNTY OF DANE        )

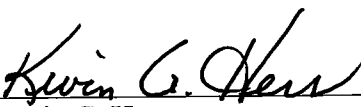
COMPANY: McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240533

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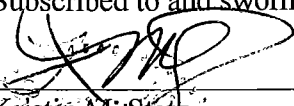
1. My name is Kevin G. Hess. I am employed by TDS Telecommunications Corporation, parent company of McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

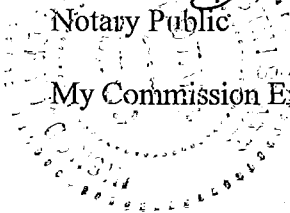
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
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Kevin G. Hess  
Senior Vice President  
Government & Regulatory Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2011.

  
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Kristin M. Statz  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 24, 2015





**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF DANE        )

COMPANY: Norway Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240535

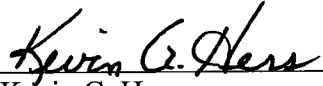
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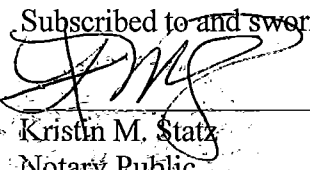
1. My name is Kevin G. Hess. I am employed by TDS Telecommunications Corporation, parent company of Norway Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Norway Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Kevin G. Hess  
Senior Vice President  
Government & Regulatory Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2011

  
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Kristin M. Statz  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 24, 2015

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF COLLETON

COMPANY: PALMETTO RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240536

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is JASON DANDRIDGE. I am employed by PALMETTO RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. (the "Company") as its CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. PALMETTO RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
JASON J. DANDRIDGE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2011.

  
Teresa L. Fender  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Teresa L. Fender  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires  
My Commission Expires: April 14, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LAURENS

COMPANY: Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240538

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:


1. My name is Randal J. Odom. I am employed by Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") as its Chief Financial Officer. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Randal J. Odom  
Chief Financial Officer

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2011.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA  
Jennifer C. Murphy  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 8/25/19



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**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

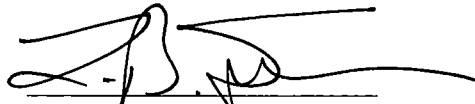
COMPANY: PBT TELECOM, INC.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240539

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:


1. My name is L.B. Spearman. I am employed by PBT TELECOM, INC. (the "Company") as its Vice President and CRO. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. PBT TELECOM, INC. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
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L.B. Spearman  
Vice President and CRO

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 1 day of July 2011.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA  
Lee Ann E. Shealy  
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Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 4/21/13

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHESTER

COMPANY: RIDGEWAY TELEPHONE COMPANY  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240541

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is J. Brian Singleton. I am employed by Ridgeway Telephone Company (the "Company") as its President & CEO. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Ridgeway Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
J. Brian Singleton  
President & CEO

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 7th day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

JANICE T. DANKE  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 1/28/2014

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF York

COMPANY: Rock Hill Telephone Company

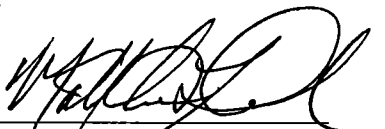
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240542

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Matthew L. Dosch. I am employed by Rock Hill Telephone Company. (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President of External Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Rock Hill Telephone Company hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Matthew L. Dosch  
Senior Vice President of External Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011.

Theresa H. Grant  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Theresa H. Grant  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 9/17/2011

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHESTERFIELD

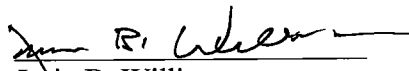
COMPANY: SANDHILL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240546

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Irvin B. Williams. I am employed by Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") as its Manager / Chief Executive Officer. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

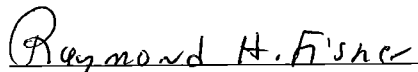
2. Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Irvin B. Williams  
Chief Executive Officer

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 8 day of July 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: Oct 22, 2020

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN    )  
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COUNTY OF DANE        )

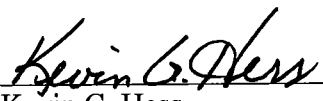
COMPANY: St. Stephen Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240544

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

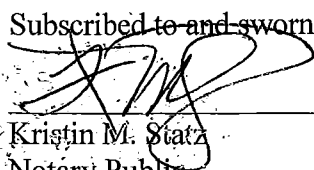
1. My name is Kevin G. Hess. I am employed by TDS Telecommunications Corporation, parent company of St. Stephen Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. St. Stephen Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
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Kevin G. Hess  
Senior Vice President  
Government & Regulatory Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2011.

  
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Kristin M. Statz  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 24, 2015



**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

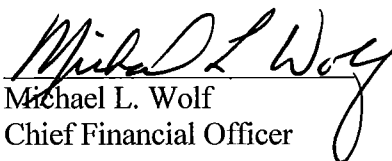
COMPANY: WEST CAROLINA RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240550

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

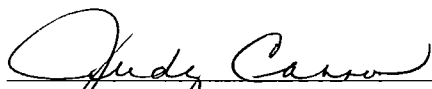
1. My name is Michael L. Wolf. I am employed by West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") as its Chief Financial Officer. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
Michael L. Wolf  
Chief Financial Officer

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

JUDY CANNON  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 4/15/2020

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF DANE        )

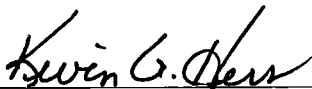
COMPANY: Williston Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom  
STUDY AREA NUMBER: 240551

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME the undersigned WHO, BEING  
  
DULY SWORN, deposed and said:

1. My name is Kevin G. Hess. I am employed by TDS Telecommunications Corporation, parent company of Williston Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom (the "Company") as its Senior Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Public Service Commission of South Carolina's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

2. Williston Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2012 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

  
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Kevin G. Hess  
Senior Vice President  
Government & Regulatory Affairs

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2011.

  
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Kristin M. Statz  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 24, 2015